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- 1.

At Ruzynye Airfield there were approximately 20 C-47s, 15 IL-12s, four Ju-52s, 10 AERO-45s, and five SI-204s.

- 2.

Approximately 10 aircraft fly every day to all Communist occupied countries.

When the Czech government received several IL-12s from the USSR they were rejected because of a flutter in the wing. These aircraft were sent back to the USSR to be modified. The aircraft originally seated 23; after modification, they seated 18 persons; the consumption of gas was twice as much as used in a C-47 type aircraft.

- 3.

The only aircraft that are non-operational are those that do not have enough passengers to fly in them. The reason for this is that the price of flying is high; it costs approximately 700 Kcs to fly from Bratislava to Prague and about 400 Kcs to fly from Prague to Ostrava. Otherwise the aircraft are all in operational status.

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The majority of people employed at Ruzyně Airfield were Czechs. The Hungarian, Rumanian, and Polish transport agencies located at this field were managed by Russians.

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The only civilian aircraft maintenance installations were at Ruzyně Airfield. All CSA aircraft were repaired at Ruzyně.

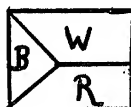
all the major or minor work was done at Ruzyně. The standard of repair work was rated as good.

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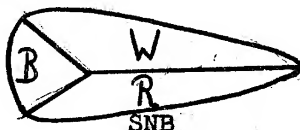
All civilian aircraft in the CSR are marked with a Czech flag on the left side of the tail; the first two letters are always OK which is a mark for all Czech civilian aircraft. After the letters OK there are a series of letters, eg CAC, XBA and WDW.

Aircraft
Insignia

Military



Civilian



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7.

Pilots and crew members wear blue uniforms, a blue or white shirt, a black necktie, and an overseas cap. The blue jacket is double-breasted with brass buttons. These buttons were inscribed with the letters CSA and the words, Czech Airlines. The sleeves of this jacket had gold stripes, three stripes for captain, two stripes for navigator and one stripe for the crew members. The only insignia was the silver wings which were worn on the right side of the jacket and on the cap. This insignia was a pair of wings with a circle in the middle with the letters CSA inscribed thereon.

8.

On each aircraft there is one SNB member who sits in the rear of the aircraft. He is always armed. All passengers are searched before boarding the plane.

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aircraft [redacted] in Czechoslovakia.
[redacted] were MIG-15s which were flying over
Prague.

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SI-204s were used for training purposes although they were
sometimes used as transports.

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there is a fighter regiment at Ceske Budejovice, approximately 30 - 40 ME-109s land in Pardubice Budejovice Airfield. came from Ceske

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there were some MIG-15s stationed at Bozi Dar Airfield, close to Milovice.

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Some SNB units landed at Cheb Airfield during maneuvers from August to September 1949. They flew ME-109s. some SNB units stationed at the border were equipped with jets.

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For the most part aircraft used for training until 1950 were ME 109s and SI 204s.

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Cesko Budejovice /4857N-1426E/ Military Airfield (fighter). a STB unit occupied this airfield. This was also the Headquarters of the STB, air defense.

Cheb /5005N-1224E/. As of 1950 this was an Air Transport airfield. No military units were stationed there.

Klecany /5011N-1425E/ Military Airfield, unit unknown. Approximately 30 SI-204s were stationed there.

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Malacky /4824N-1707E/ Military Airfield. [redacted]
 [redacted] all cadets who finished their pilot training were
 sent to this field for gunnery training. [redacted]

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Havlickuv Brod. ([redacted] SI-204s coming from this airfield.)

Hradec Kralove /5015N-1551E/. This field is the Air Force
 Headquarters for all cadet training.

Mimon /5038N-1444E/. This was a training school for paratroopers.
 C-47 type aircraft were stationed there. This airfield is
 called Hradcany Military Airfield.

Plzen /4943N-1320E/ Military Airfield (fighter). ME-109 type
 aircraft were stationed at this field. No further information
 available.

Pardubice /5001N-1545E/. This was a pilot and navigation
 training school.

Prague/Cakowice /5009N-1431E/. [redacted] there is an
 aircraft factory by the name of Rudy Letov.¹

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Prague/Kbely /5007N-1433E/. A transportation regiment was
 stationed there.

Prague/Letnany /5008N-1432E/. [redacted] there was an
 aircraft factory here by the name of Letnany.²

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1. [redacted] Comment: The reference is to the Rudy Letov National
 Corporation at Letnany near Cakovice.

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2. [redacted] Comment: The reference may be to the Avia National
 Corporation at Letnany.

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